Distance Learning Tips for PGCPS Families

UPDATED OCTOBER 2020 - NEW Sign In Method

For security, PGCPS Zoom meetings with students require students to login to with their PGCPS information. In most cases, students will join their teacher’s meetings by clicking on the Zoom link provided by the teacher first. Students may also join by typing the Meeting ID and passcode directly in the Zoom App. After accessing the meeting, students will be prompted for their PGCPS username and password.

Students are no longer signing into PGCPS Zoom via the app or Clever.

Join Zoom Meeting from a Link

1. Go to Google Classroom and select your class.
2. Click on the meeting link provided by your teacher.
3. If prompted, enter the meeting passcode.
4. Enter your PGCPS Username & Password and click Sign In
5. Wait for your teacher to let you in from the waiting room.

Join Zoom Meeting with a Meeting ID and Passcode

1. Go to Google Classroom > Select your class > copy the Meeting ID
2. Click on the Zoom app
3. Click the Join a meeting tab
4. Enter the Meeting ID & your Full Name
5. Click Join
6. Enter your PGCPS Username & Password and click Sign In
7. Enter the Passcode
8. Wait for your teacher to let you in from the waiting room.

Zoom Tips

- **Waiting Room**: Students will be in a waiting room (a white screen) until the teacher admits them.
- **Join Audio**: Choose how to hear and speak during the meeting. Click the Join Audio button then select Computer Audio or Phone Call
- **Mute**: If you connect your audio through the computer, click the microphone to mute or unmute yourself.
- **Video**: Participant video may be off by default. If you have permission to turn it on, click Start Video
- **Chat**: Participants can type a message to your teacher or to everyone in the meeting. Click the Chat icon. When the chat window appears, type your message at the bottom and press the enter/return button on your keyboard.

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